

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing and reconsideration of the subject matter identified in caption, as amended, pursuant to and consistent with 37 C.F.R. §1.112, and in light of the remarks which follow, are respectfully requested.

At the outset, Applicants note with appreciation the indication that claims 1-6, 8-10, 13-17, 23-25 and 27-29 are allowed (Official Action at page 4).

By the above amendments, claims 9 and 30-36 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 13 has been amended to correct a typographical error by deleting the word "A." Claim 23 has been amended for grammatical purposes by adding a period at the end of such claim. Claim 26 has been amended merely for readability purposes to recite the phrase "the first wax and the second wax." Support for such amendment can at least be found in claim 14 of the originally filed application.

Claims 9, 26 and 35 stand objected to for the reasons set forth at page 2 of the Official Action. In this regard, the rejection with respect to claims 9 and 35 is moot in light of the cancellation of such claims. Further, as discussed above, claim 26 has been amended to recite the first wax and the second wax, in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion. Accordingly, withdrawal of the above objection is respectfully requested.

Claims 30-36 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) for the reasons set forth at page 3 of the Official Action. Without addressing the propriety of such rejection, it is noted that the rejection is moot in light of the above cancellation of claims 30-36. Accordingly, for at least this reason, withdrawal of the above rejection is respectfully requested.

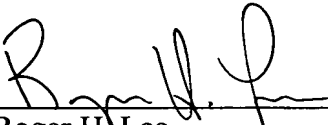
From the foregoing, further and favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is believed to be next in order, and such action is earnestly solicited.

If there are any questions concerning this paper or the application in general, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at his earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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